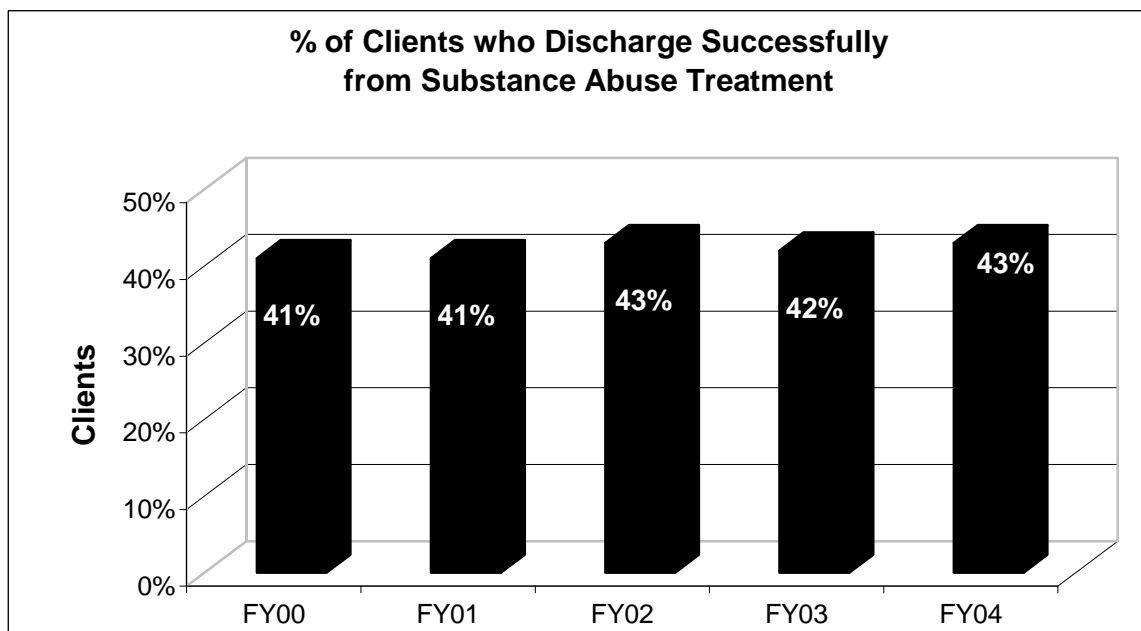


SUBSTANCE ABUSE CLIENTS WHO SUCCESSFULLY DISCHARGE FROM TREATMENT

Source: Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health



Definition: After discharge from substance abuse treatment, it is determined whether each client successfully completed the prescribed treatment. Reasons for discontinuing services include leaving against professional advice, incarceration, and termination by the facility due to rule violations.

Analysis: The percentage of clients who successfully completed substance abuse treatment in FY04 is 43%, which is consistent with the past three years. Many patients leave treatment when they are near the end of treatment but are not officially discharged from treatment. These patients are not counted in this statistic. Because many providers define “successful” discharge differently, this graph

represents only those who complete all or most of their treatment objectives. Many more are successful after they leave treatment without an official discharge.

Future Actions: The Division is continually striving to improve the outcome of substance abuse treatment. The Division is focused on science-based treatment to ensure quality services. Measures are also being taken to more accurately track the results of client services by developing electronic assessments and data tools.